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Community Outreach Lecture Series

Riverside, CA — The Community Services Bureau of the Riverside Police Department was created with the desire and the goal of truly reaching out to the community. Similarly, the *Opportunities With Education (OWE)* juvenile intervention program was developed to provide positive interaction between law enforcement, teens, and their parents. The educational component addresses young peoples' exposure to violence, human trafficking, gangs, drugs and alcohol. OWE's implementation brought to light the community's desire for access to the same useful information in an open public forum.

In answer to this request, the Riverside Police Department created the *Community Outreach Lecture Series*. Each month from September to May, a current and relevant topic will be discussed and attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions. Lectures will be presented by officers of the Riverside Police Department and other community partners and agencies. Parents, youth, and all members of the community are invited to attend. Riverside Unified School District and Alvord Unified School District have generously provided the use of a classroom, or multi-purpose room for the evening lectures.

The program kicks off on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, at North High School from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. The first topic will be "Internet Safety" presented by the Riverside County SAFE Team. Come out and learn how to keep our kids safe on the internet!!

The full series of classes is listed below:

***Riverside Police Department
Community Lecture Outreach Series***

All classes are scheduled from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Topic</u> |
|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| September 19, 2012 | North H.S. | Internet Safety |
| October 17, 2012 | MLK H.S. | Communication/School Violence |
| November 28, 2012 | La Sierra H.S. | Economic Crimes/Banking |
| December 19, 2012 | Arlington H.S. | Alcohol/DUI Drugs |
| January 16, 2013 | Norte Vista H.S. | Juvenile Law/Parent Project |
| February 6, 2013 | Ramona H.S. | Domestic Violence |
| March 20, 2013 | Poly H.S. | Sexual Assault /Human Trafficking |
| April 17, 2013 | Hillcrest H.S. | Gangs/Hate Crimes/Graffiti |
| May 15, 2013 | MLK H.S. | Internet Safety |